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## Park Authority Begins Kings Park Master Plan Revisions

The Fairfax County Park Authority will begin a public planning process to revise the Master Plan for Kings Park Park in Springfield. The 9.2-acre property located at 8717 Trafalgar Court was originally master planned in 1967. The purpose of the master planning revision is to update the General Management Plan and Conceptual Development Plan for the park and to consider future uses for the newly acquired one-acre tract adjacent to the park that was formerly the site of the Royal Pool that has been demolished.

A public information meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 17, 2008 from 8 to 9:30 p.m. in the cafeteria at Kings Park Elementary School located at 5400 Harrow Way in Springfield. This meeting will feature a presentation outlining the site's current conditions, possible future uses, and will explain the park master planning process and how public input and participation shape the final planning document. Following the presentation, the meeting will continue with a moderated question and answer session to identify concerns and listen to suggestions for future park features.

King's Park Park is surrounded on all four sides by single-family residences. The park has two parking lots, two tennis courts, two basketball courts, a playground, a small diamond ball field and a loop trail. The park also has wooded areas with a perennial stream at the northern edge. The newly acquired property features an open grassy area and forested areas.

Additional information and updates on this planning project will be made available online at <a href="http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/plandev/kingspark.htm">http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/plandev/kingspark.htm</a>. Once the draft master plan revision is completed, a public hearing, followed by a 30-day public comment period will be held. It is anticipated that the hearing will be scheduled for this coming spring.

Comments are welcomed and can be mailed to Project Manager Andrea Dorlester, Planning and Development Division, Fairfax County Park Authority, 12055 Government Center Parkway, Suite 406, Fairfax, VA 22305. Email comments can be sent to <a href="mailto:Parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov">Parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov</a>.

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